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Bad , a heterodimeric partner for Bcl-XL and Bcl-2, displaces Bax

and promotes cell death.

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; Amino Acid Sequence; **Antibodies**; Carrier Proteins--biosynthesis --BI; Carrier Proteins--chemistry--CH; Cloning, Molecular; Macromolecular Systems; Mammals; Mice; Molecular...

Gene Symbol: **bad**

Chemical Name: **Antibodies**; **Bad protein**; Carrier Proteins; Macromolecular Systems; Proto-Oncogene Proteins; Recombinant Proteins; bcl-x protein

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BCL-X/BCL-2 ASSOCIATED CELL DEATH REGULATOR; IDENTIFYING AGENTS THAT INHIBIT BINDING OF POLYPEPTIDES

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 polypeptide sequences, **Bad** polynucleotides, and uses thereof.

Exemplary Claim: ...W I N G

1. A method for identifying agents that inhibit binding of a **Bad**
 polypeptide to a bcl-xL or bcl-2 polypeptide to form heteromultimers,
 said method comprising: performing a heterodimerization assay which
 includes a **Bad** polypeptide species comprising a BH1 and BH2
 domain with a bcl2 or bcl-xL polypeptide species and an agent under
 suitable binding conditions; determining whether the agent inhibits
 heterodimerization of the **Bad** polypeptide to the bcl-2 or bcl-xL
 polypeptide; identifying agents which inhibit said heterodimerization as
 candidate **Bad** modulating agents.

Non-exemplary Claims: 2. An isolated mammalian **BAD** polypeptide
 comprising an amino acid sequence which has at least 80% identity to SEQ
 ID NO:2, wherein the mammalian **BAD** polypeptide comprises a
BH1 domain and a BH2 domain and inhibits the death repressor
 activity of BCL-XL...

...3. The isolated mammalian **BAD** polypeptide of claim 2, wherein the
 amino acid sequence has at least 85% sequence identity...

...4. The mammalian **BAD** polypeptide of claim 3, wherein the amino
 acid sequence has at least 90% sequence identity...

...5. The mammalian **BAD** polypeptide of claim 4, wherein the amino
 acid sequence has at least 95% sequence identity...

...6. A hybrid protein comprising the mammalian **BAD** polypeptide of
 claim 2 and the activation domain or a DNA-binding domain of a...

...8. A composition comprising the **BAD** polypeptide of claim 2 and an
 isolated mammalian BCL-2 polypeptide or an isolated BCL...

...a fragment of said sequence or variant, wherein the polypeptide, variant
 or fragment comprises a **BH1** domain and a BH2 domain and inhibits
 the death repressor activity of BCL-XL...

...10. The polypeptide of claim 9, wherein the **BH1** domain is at least
 90% identical to SEQ ID NO:10 and the BH2 domain...

...16. The **BAD** polypeptide of claim 9, further comprising an
 activation domain or a DNA-binding domain of...

...18. An isolated polypeptide comprising at least one **BAD** epitope of
 at least ten contiguous amino acids of SEQ ID NO:2 or a...

...none conservative amino acid substitution and wherein upon
 administration to a mammal the polypeptide generates **antibodies**
 specific for a naturally-occurring mammalian **BAD** polypeptide...

...19. The polypeptide of claim 18, wherein the **BAD** epitope comprises
a conservatively substituted variant of SEQ ID NO:10, SEQ ID NO:17...

...20. The polypeptide of claim 41, wherein the **BAD** epitope comprises
SEQ ID NO:10, SEQ ID NO:17, SEQ ID NO:18, SEQ...

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Bad, a Heterodimeric Partner for Bcl-X-L and Bcl-2, Displaces Bax and Promotes Cell Death

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Bcl-2 and apoptosis

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ABSTRACT: The BCL-2 family, comprised of both pro-apoptotic and anti-apoptotic members, acts as a checkpoint upstream of Caspases and mitochondrial dysfunction. The death antagonists include Bcl-2, Bcl-XL, Mcl-1 and A1, whereas Bax, Bak, Bad, Bcl-Xs, Bcl-Xbeta and Bik are pro-apoptotic members. The overall ratio of the death agonists to antagonists determines the susceptibility to a death stimulus. A1 members possess at least one of four conserved motifs known as Bcl-2 homology domains (BH1 to BH4). These proteins are believed to be membrane bound and their ability to undergo both homodimerization and heterodimerization has been proposed to regulate apoptosis.

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Characterization of the antiapoptotic Bcl-2 family member myeloid cell leukemia-1 (Mcl-1) and the stimulation of its message by gonadotropins in the rat ovary.

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Endocrinology (UNITED STATES) Dec 1999, 140 (12) p5469-77, ISSN 0013-7227 Journal Code: 0375040

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The majority of ovarian follicles undergo atresia mediated by apoptosis. Bcl-2-related proteins act as regulators of apoptosis via the formation of dimers with proteins inside and outside the Bcl-2 family. Previous studies have identified **BAD** as a proapoptotic Bcl-2 family member expressed in the ovary. It is known that **BAD** phosphorylation induced by survival factors leads to its preferential binding to 14-3-3 and suppression of the death-inducing function of **BAD**. To identify ovarian binding partners for hypophosphorylated **BAD**, we performed a yeast two-hybrid screening of a rat ovary complementary DNA library using as bait a mutant **BAD** incapable of binding to 14-3-3. Screening of yeast transformants yielded positive clones encoding the rat ortholog of Mcl-1 (myeloid cell leukemia-1), an antiapoptotic Bcl-2 protein. Amino acid sequence analysis revealed that rat and human Mcl-1 showed a complete conservation of the Bcl-2 homology domains **BH1**, **BH2**, and **BH3**. In the yeast two-hybrid system, Mcl-1 binds to the hypophosphorylated mutant of **BAD** and interacts preferentially with different proapoptotic (Bax, Bak, Bok, Bik, and BOD) compared with antiapoptotic Bcl-2 family members (Bcl-2, Bcl-xL, Bcl-w, Bfl-1, CED-9, and BHRF-1). Northern blot hybridization demonstrated expression of Mcl-1 transcri

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Characterization of Bax-sigma, a cell death-inducing isoform of Bax.

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Biochemical and biophysical research communications (UNITED STATES) Apr 21 2000, 270 (3) p868-79, ISSN 0006-291X Journal Code: 0372516

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The Ced-9/Bcl-like family of genes codes for proteins that have antiapoptotic and proapoptotic activity. Several Bax isoproteins have been detected by 2-D gel electrophoresis, and a novel human member, designated as Bax-sigma, has been identified and cloned from human cancer promyelocytic cells. Bax-sigma contains BH-3, BH-1, and BH-2 domains, putative alpha-5 and alpha-6 helices, and the carboxy-terminal hydrophobic transmembrane domain but lacks amino acids 159 to 171 compared to Bax-alpha. mRNA expression analysis by reverse transcription-polymerase chain reaction and RNase protection assays have revealed that Bax-sigma is expressed in a variety of human cancer cell lines and normal tissues. To investigate the potential role of Bax-sigma in apoptosis, first its effects were compared to those of Bax-alpha by transient expression in human B lymphoma Namalwa cells. Both Bax-sigma and Bax-alpha promoted apoptosis, as detected by DNA fragmentation and morphological analysis by electron microscopy. The apoptosis induced by Bax-sigma and Bax-alpha was correlated with their expression, cytochrome c

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Role of the BH3 (Bcl-2 homology 3) domain in the regulation of apoptosis and Bcl-2-related proteins.

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The Bcl-2 family of proteins play a prominent role in the regulation of apoptosis. From the initial identification of bcl-2 as an oncogene in follicular lymphoma through genetic studies in *Caenorhabditis elegans* to recent functional studies focusing on the importance of mitochondrial events in cell death signalling, the members of this protein family continue to be implicated in pivotal decision points regarding the survival of the cell. The family can be divided into two classes: those such as Bcl-2 and Bcl-xL that suppress cell death, and others, such as Bak and Bax, that appear to promote apoptosis. The Bcl-2 family is characterized by specific regions of homology termed Bcl-2 homology (BH1, BH2, BH3, BH4) domains, which are critical to the function of these proteins, including their impact on cell survival and their ability to interact with other family members and regulatory proteins. The identification of the BH3 domain as a potent mediator of cell death has led to the emergence of an additional family of proapoptotic proteins (such as Bad, Bik, Bid and Hrk) that share identity with Bcl-2 only within this death domain. These BH3-only proteins may be part of a regulatory network serving to integrate cell survival and death signals, an assertion that is supported by the identification of a BH3-only protein, Egl-1, as part of the central core of cell death signalling in *C. elegans*. While the mechanism of action of the BH3-only proteins remains unclear, recent studies on the regulation of critical protein-protein interactions and activity of Bad by phosphorylation in response to growth factor signalling suggest that the active state of BH3-only proteins may be regulated by post-translational modification. Additional modes of regulation, such as transcriptional,

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Direct addition of BimL to mitochondria does not lead to cytochrome c release.

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Pro-apoptotic members of the Bcl-2 family can be subdivided in two classes according to their structure: a group including Bax, Bak, and Bok that display Bcl-2 homology (BH) 1, BH2 and BH3 domains and a second group including Bid (BH3 interacting domain death agonist), Bad, Bim (Bcl-2 interacting mediator of cell death) and several others that contain only a BH3 domain, the BH3-only proteins. The BH3-only proteins have been proposed to activate pro-apoptotic members of the Bax subfamily to trigger a mitochondrial pathway that leads to the release of cytochrome c and other apoptogenic factors. Here we report that the mechanism of action of Bim is different from that of Bid. Although overexpression of Bid or Bim in cells leads to cytochrome c release, only Bid is able to trigger the release of cytochrome c through Bax activation when added directly to isolated mitochondria. Bim(L), although unable to activate Bax, can directly inhibit Bcl-2 or Bcl-x(L). Our data suggest two functional classes of BH3-only proteins: those such as Bid which directly activate Bax-like proteins leading to mitochondrial membrane permeability and apoptosis and those such as Bim which inhibit anti-apoptotic proteins and render the cells more susceptible to apoptogenic stimuli.

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Expression and function of a proapoptotic Bcl-2 family member Bcl-XL/Bcl-2-associated death promoter (BAD) in rat ovary. ✓

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Bcl-2-related anti- and proapoptotic proteins are important in the decision step of the intracellular death program upstream from the caspase proteases. Targeted overexpression of Bcl-2 in ovarian somatic cells of transgenic mice leads to decreased apoptosis of granulosa cells and is associated with higher ovulation rate, increased litter size, and ovarian teratoma formation. The ability of exogenous Bcl-2 proteins to promote follicle cell survival suggests that the transgene can bind to endogenous ovarian Bcl-2 family members and modulate the intracellular apoptosis process in favor of cell survival. We used the yeast two-hybrid system to search for ovarian Bcl-2 interacting proteins. The screening of an ovarian fusion complementary DNA library yielded several clones encoding for the death agonist Bcl-XL/Bcl-2-associated death promoter (BAD). Dimerization of Bcl-2-related proteins mediated by the consensus Bcl-2 homology (BH) domains is essential for their apoptosis-regulating function. Consistent with these observations, yeast two-hybrid assays indicated that the interaction of Bcl-2 with BAD is dependent on both BH4 and BH2 domains of Bcl-2. Northern blot analysis showed a wide distribution of BAD messenger RNA (mRNA) in diverse tissues with highest levels in the lung, ovary, uterus, and brain. In situ hybridization analysis indicated BAD mRNA expression in granulosa cells of different sizes of follicles and also in the theca and interstitial cells. BAD mRNA was expressed in the ovaries between postnatal 15-27 days and did not alter during the developmentally occurring apoptosis found about postnatal day 18 when the first group of early antral follicles were formed. Similarly, BAD mRNA levels did not change during follicle atresia induced by estrogen withdrawal in immature rats. To study the role of BAD in the ovary, BAD complementary DNA was transfected into primary cultures of granulosa cells and in a gonadal tumor cell line. Overexpression of BAD induced apoptosis in both cell types, and the effect of BAD was reversed by a membrane-permeable caspase inhibitor, indicating that BAD induces apoptosis via the activation of caspase cysteine proteases. In summary, the death agonist BAD was identified as a Bcl-2-interacting protein in the ovary, and BAD mRNA is constitutively expressed in granulosa cells, suggesting that BAD is an essential part of the ovarian cell death process. Because BAD overexpression in granulosa cells leads to apoptosis, future studies on ovarian BAD binding proteins and hormonal regulation of the interactions among different Bcl-2 family members could provide a better understanding of the cellular mechanism of ovarian follicle atresia. ✓

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Importance of the Bcl-2 family in cell death regulation.

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Cloning and expression of the programmed cell death regulator **Bad**
in the rat brain.

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The Bcl-2 family of proteins consists of both antagonists (e.g. Bcl-2) and agonists (e.g. Bax) that regulate apoptosis and compete through dimerization. In the present study we cloned the cDNA encoding the rat brain **BAD**, a distant member of the Bcl-2 family that was shown to promote cell death. The cloned cDNA encoded a protein of 205 amino acids, containing three putative Bcl-2 homology domains (**BH1**, **BH2** and **BH3**) and no C-terminal signal-anchor sequence. The predicted amino acid sequence was identical to the **Bad**-cDNA recently cloned from the rat ovary with the exception of a stretch of six amino acids, thus indicating the existence of two **Bad** alternative splice variants or a sequence artifact in the rat ovary **Bad**-cDNA. Immunohistochemical analysis in the rat brain revealed the exclusive expression of **Bad** in the epithelial cells of the choroid plexus, a result which is consistent with a very specialized function of **Bad** in the brain.

Cloning and expression of the programmed cell death regulator **Bad**
in the rat brain.

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Survival activity of Bcl-2 homologs Bcl-w and A1 only partially correlates with their ability to bind pro-apoptotic family members.

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Certain Bcl-2 family members promote cell survival, whereas others promote apoptosis. To explore further how heterodimerization of opposing members affects survival activity, we have compared the abilities of the anti-apoptotic Bcl-w and A1 to bind to the pro-apoptotic Bax, Bak, Bad and Bik and to protect cells from their cytotoxic action. Bcl-w co-immunoprecipitated from cell lysates with Bax, Bak, Bad and Bik, but A1 bound only Bak and Bik. Mutation of A1 at a highly conserved glycine within the BH1 domain prevented binding, but the comparable Bcl-w mutant still bound Bak, Bad and Bik, indicating that the glycine is not essential for all heterodimerization. Bcl-w and A1 protected against apoptosis induced by over-expression of Bax or Bad but not that induced by Bak or Bik. With several gene pairs, binding and protection were discordant. The results may reflect critical threshold affinities but also suggest that certain pro-apoptotic proteins may also contribute to apoptosis by a mechanism independent of binding pro-survival proteins.

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14-3-3 Interacts directly with and negatively regulates pro-apoptotic Bax.

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The Bcl-2 family of proteins comprises well characterized regulators of apoptosis, consisting of anti-apoptotic members and pro-apoptotic members. Pro-apoptotic members possessing BH1, BH2, and BH3 domains (such as Bax and Bak) act as a gateway for a variety of apoptotic signals. Bax is normally localized to the cytoplasm in an inactive form. In response to apoptotic stimuli, Bax translocates to the mitochondria and undergoes oligomerization to induce the release of apoptogenic factors such as cytochrome c, but it is still largely unknown how the mitochondrial translocation and pro-apoptotic activity of Bax is regulated. Here we report that cytoplasmic protein 14-3-3 theta binds to Bax and, upon apoptotic stimulation, releases Bax by a caspase-independent mechanism, as well as through direct cleavage of 14-3-3 theta by caspases. Unlike Bad, the interaction with 14-3-3 theta is not dependent on the phosphorylation of Bax. In isolated mitochondria, we found that 14-3-3 theta inhibited the integration of Bax and Bax-induced cytochrome c release. Bax-induced apoptosis was inhibited by overexpression of either 14-3-3 theta or its mutant (which lacked the ability to bind to various phosphorylated targets but still bound to Bax), whereas overexpression of

14-3-3 theta was unable to inhibit apoptosis induced by a Bax mutant that did not bind to 14-3-3 theta. These findings indicate that 14-3-3 theta plays a crucial role in negatively regulating the activity of Bax.

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Survival activity of Bcl-2 homologs Bcl-w and A1 only partially correlates with their ability to bind pro-apoptotic family members.

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Certain Bcl-2 family members promote cell survival, whereas others promote apoptosis. To explore further how heterodimerization of opposing members affects survival activity, we have compared the abilities of the anti-apoptotic Bcl-w and A1 to bind to the pro-apoptotic Bax, Bak, Bad and Bik and to protect cells from their cytotoxic action. Bcl-w

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1. A polynucleotide, free of homologous chromosomal DNA, comprising a
sequence encoding a mammalian **Bad** polypeptide, wherein said
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characteristic of the membrane bound members of the bcl-2 family, b) has
a BH-1 and BH-2 domain, and c) selectively
heterodimerizes with bcl-2, and bcl-xL.

Non-exemplary Claims: 2. An isolated polynucleotide of claim 1, wherein
said polynucleotide encodes **Bad** polypeptide of SEQ ID NO:2...

...7. A **Bad** polynucleolide encoding a **Bad** polypeptide of
comprising SEQ ID NO:10 and SEQ ID NO:17...

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Underphosphorylated BAD interacts with diverse antiapoptotic Bcl-2 family proteins to regulate apoptosis.

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Survival factors activate kinases which, in turn, phosphorylate the proapoptotic Bcl-xL/Bcl-2-associated death promoter homolog (BAD) protein at key serine residues. Phosphorylated BAD interacts with 14-3-3 proteins, and overexpression of 14-3-3 attenuates BAD-mediated apoptosis. Although BAD is known to interact with Bcl-2, Bcl-w, and Bcl-xL, the exact relationship between BAD and anti- or proapoptotic Bcl-2 proteins has not been analyzed systematically. Using the yeast two-hybrid protein interaction assay, we found that BAD interacted negligibly with proapoptotic Bcl-2 proteins. Even though wild type BAD only interacted with selected numbers of antiapoptotic proteins, underphosphorylated mutant BAD interacted with all antiapoptotic Bcl-2 proteins tested (Bcl-2, Bcl-w, Bcl-xL, Bfl-1/A1, Mcl-1, Ced-9, and BHRF-1). Using nonphosphorylated recombinant BAD expressed in bacteria, direct interactions between BAD and diverse antiapoptotic Bcl-2 members were also observed. Furthermore, apoptosis induced by BAD was blocked by coexpression with Bcl-2, Bcl-w, and Bfl-1. Comparison of BAD orthologs from zebrafish to human

indicated the conservation of a 14-3-3 **binding** site and the BH3 **domain** during evolution. Thus, highly conserved BAD interacts with diverse antiapoptotic Bcl-2 members to regulate apoptosis.

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The Ced-9/Bcl-like family of genes codes for proteins that have antiapoptotic and proapoptotic activity. Several Bax isoproteins have been detected by 2-D gel electrophoresis, and a novel human member, designated as Bax-sigma, has been identified and cloned from human cancer promyelocytic cells. Bax-sigma contains BH-3, BH-1, and BH-2 domains, putative alpha-5 and alpha-6 helices, and the carboxy-terminal hydrophobic transmembrane domain but lacks amino acids 159 to 171 compared to Bax-alpha. mRNA expression analysis by reverse transcription-polymerase chain reaction and RNase protection assays have

revealed that Bax-sigma is expressed in a variety of human cancer cell lines and normal tissues. To investigate the potential role of Bax-sigma in apoptosis, first its effects were compared to those of Bax-alpha by transient expression in human B lymphoma Namalwa cells. Both Bax-sigma and Bax-alpha promoted apoptosis, as detected by DNA fragmentation and morphological analysis by electron microscopy. The apoptosis induced by Bax-sigma and Bax-alpha was correlated with their expression, cytochrome c release, and caspase activation. In a yeast two-hybrid system, Bax-sigma interacted with several Ced-9/Bcl family members but had no affinity for the human Egl-1 homologs Bik and Bad and the Ced-4 homolog Apaf-1. In human cells, Bax-sigma function was counteracted by Bcl-xL overexpression, and co-immunoprecipitation experiments indicated that Bax-sigma was associated with Bcl-xL. Furthermore, Bax-sigma overexpression increased cell death induced by various concentrations of genotoxic agents with the most pronounced effect occurring at low camptothecin and vinblastine dose levels. Our results suggest that Bax-sigma, a novel variant of Bax, encodes a protein with a proapoptotic effect and mode of action similar to those of Bax-alpha. Copyright 2000 Academic Press.

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Abstract: Bad, an inducer of programmed cell death, was recently isolated from a mouse cDNA library by its ability to bind to the anti-apoptotic protein BCL-2. Sequence analysis suggested that Bad was a member of the BCL-2 gene family that encodes both inducers and inhibitors of programmed cell death. To further analyze the role of BAD in the network of homo- and heterodimers formed by the BCL-2 family, we have cloned the **human** homologue of **BAD** and assessed its biological activity and its interactions with wild type and mutant BCL-2 family proteins. Our results indicate that the **human BAD** protein, like its mouse homologue, is able to induce apoptosis when transfected into mammalian cells. Furthermore, in yeast two-hybrid assays as well as quantitative in vitro interaction assays, **human Bad** interacted with BCL-2 and BCL-X-L. Sequence alignments of **human BAD** revealed the presence of a BH-3 homology domain as seen in other BCL-2 family proteins. Peptides derived from this domain were able to completely inhibit the dimerization of BAD with BCL-X-L. Thus, as previously shown for BAX, BAK, BCL-2, and BCL-X-L, the BH3 domain of BAD is required for its dimerization with other BCL-2 family proteins. BAD was further analyzed for its ability to bind to various mutants of BCL-2 and BCL-X-L that have lost the ability to bind BAX and BAK, some of which retain biological activity and some of which do not. Surprisingly, all of the mutated BCL-2 and BCL-X-L proteins analyzed strongly interacted with

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Localization of the protein 4.1-binding site on the cytoplasmic domain of erythrocyte membrane band 3.

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Of the several proteins that bind along the cytoplasmic domain of erythrocyte membrane band 3, only the sites of interaction of proteins 4.1 and 4.2 remain to be at least partially localized. Using five independent techniques, we have undertaken to map and characterize the binding site of band 4.1 on band 3. First, transfer of a radioactive cross-linker (125I-2-(p-azido-salicylamido)ethyl-1-3-dithiopropionate) from purified band 4.1 to its binding sites on stripped inside-out erythrocyte membrane vesicles (stripped IOVs) revealed major labeling of band 3, glycophorin C, and glycophorin A. Proteolytic mapping of the stripped IOVs then demonstrated that the label on band 3 was confined largely to a fragment comprising residues 1-201. Second, competitive binding experiments with Fab fragments of monoclonal and peptide-specific **polyclonal antibodies to numerous epitopes** along the cytoplasmic domain of band 3 displayed stoichiometric competition only with Fabs to epitopes between residues 1 and 91 of band 3. Weak competition was also observed with Fabs to a sequence of the cytoplasmic domain directly adjacent to the membrane-spanning domain, but only at 50-100-fold excess of Fab. Third, band 4.1 protected band 3 from chymotryptic hydrolysis at tyrosine 46 and to a much lesser extent at a site within the junctional peptide connecting the membrane-spanning and cytoplasmic domains of band 3. Fourth, ankyrin, which has been previously shown to interact with band 3 both near a putative central hinge and at the N terminus competed with band 4.1 for band 3 in stripped IOVs. Since band 4.1 does not associate with band 3 near the flexible central hinge, the competition with ankyrin can be assumed to derive from a mutual association with the N terminus. Finally, a synthetic peptide corresponding to residues 1-15 of band 3 was found to mildly inhibit band 4.1 binding to stripped IOVs. Taken together, these data suggest that band 4.1 binds band 3 predominantly near the N terminus, with a possible secondary site near the junction of the cytoplasmic domain and the membrane.

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Tubulin evolution: ciliate-specific epitopes are conserved in the ciliary tubulin of Metazoa.

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In spite of their overall evolutionary conservation, the tubulins of ciliates display electrophoretic and structural particularities. We show here that antibodies raised against *Paramecium* and *Tetrahymena* ciliary tubulins fail to recognize the cytoplasmic tubulins of all the metazoans tested. Immunoblotting of peptide maps of ciliate tubulins reveals that these antibodies react with one or very few ciliate-specific epitopes, in contrast to **polyclonal antibodies** against vertebrate tubulins, which are equivalent to autoantibodies and recognize **several epitopes** in both ciliate and vertebrate tubulins. Furthermore, we show that the anti-ciliate antibodies recognize ciliary and flagellar tubulins of metazoans ranging from sea urchin to mammals (with the exception of humans). The results support the conclusion that although duplication and specialization of tubulin genes in metazoans may have led to distinct types of tubulins, the axonemal one has remained highly conserved.

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The role of structure in antibody cross-reactivity between peptides and folded proteins.

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IL2-like material is present in human placenta and amnion.
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Unraveling distinct intracellular signals that promote survival and proliferation: study of erythropoietin, stem cell factor, and constitutive signaling in leukemic cells.

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This review summarizes selected recent studies of the intracellular signals that allow erythroid cells to survive and proliferate under the control of erythropoietin (EPO) and alteration in signals that contribute to EPO-independent survival and proliferation. The hypothesis explored is that the proliferation and survival signals are distinct and can be separately studied with the proper cell lines and growth factor stimulation. The anti- and pro-apoptotic proteins **Bcl-XL** and **BAD** are highly implicated in EPO-dependent survival of erythroid cells. **Stat5** activity appears to be upstream of **Bcl-XL** expression such that pathologic, constitutive activation of **Stat5** may be a common event in leukemic cells that become resistant to **apoptosis** by constitutive expression of **Bcl-XL**. Other signals apparently also control the expression of **Bcl-XL**, such as the expression of **JunB** which seem to be required to suppress **Bcl-XL** expression when EPO is withdrawn. **Apoptosis** may also be triggered by inactivation of **Bcl-XL** by **BAD**. Dephosphorylation of **BAD** as a result of withdrawal of survival factors converts pro-survival **BAD** to pro-apoptotic **BAD**. Phosphorylation of **BAD** at the serine 112 residue seems critical to promoting survival. Constitutive activation of a kinase that phosphorylates **BAD** serine 112 may, therefore, contribute to resistance to **apoptosis** in leukemic cells. We describe the resistance of erythroleukemic cells to **apoptosis** induced by EPO withdrawal apparently caused by constitutive **BAD** phosphorylation. The resistance to **apoptosis** in these cells is reversed by treatment with the PI3-kinase inhibitor, LY294002, suggesting that resistance to **apoptosis** in these cells likely results from constitutive PI3-kinase that is an upstream activator of an S-112 **BAD** kinase. The MAP kinase cascade is apparently active in EPO-dependent and stem cell factor (SCF)-dependent proliferation but not survival. In addition, autocrine tumor necrosis factor- α (TNF- α) may also be a proliferation factor not affecting survival. PI3-kinase seems to be required for full EPO-dependent proliferation but is not required for EPO-dependent survival (but it can promote survival when activated).

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Phosphorylation of **Bcl2** and regulation of **apoptosis**.

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Keeping killers on a tight leash: transcriptional and post-translational control of the pro-apoptotic activity of BH3-only proteins.

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BH3-only proteins are structurally distant members of the Bcl-2 protein family that trigger **apoptosis**. Genetic experiments have shown that these proteins are essential initiators of programmed cell death in species as distantly related as mice and *C. elegans*. BH3-only proteins share with each other and with the remainder of the Bcl-2 family only a nine-amino-acid BH3 (Bcl-2 Homology) region. Mutational analyses have demonstrated that this domain is required for their ability to bind to Bcl-2-like pro-survival proteins and to initiate apoptosis. So far only one BH3-only protein, EGL-1, has been identified in *C. elegans* and it is required for all developmentally programmed death of somatic cells in this species. In contrast, mammals have at least 10 BH3-only proteins that differ in their expression pattern and mode of activation. Studies in gene targeted mice have indicated that different BH3-only proteins are required for the initiation of distinct apoptotic stimuli. The pro-apoptotic activities of BH3-only proteins are stringently controlled by a variety of mechanisms. *C. elegans* egl-1 as well as mammalian hrk/dp5, noxa, puma/bbc3 and bim/bod are regulated by a diverse range of transcription factors. Certain BH3-only proteins, including Bad, Bik/Nbk, Bid, Bim/Bod and Bmf, are restrained by post-translational modifications that cause their sequestration from pro-survival Bcl-2 family members. In this **review** we describe current knowledge of the functions and transcriptional as well as post-translational control mechanisms of

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